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With great thanks to the committee, I am Gina Satterfield of Helena, MT. I'm here as a citizen of the U.S. to defend my right to home school and oppose Common Core. I own the Hairdresser's Inc. and I have been a licensed cosmetologist for 28 years. In my not so free time I have invested 500 hours of research within 8 months on the history of American education leading into Common Core craze. It has been a fascinating and very disturbing journey through time. Reading book after book of this planned devastation of free will sickens me for our youth of the 21st Century.

The true story I am about to share with you gives me great conviction for my decision to take charge as a parent and join the fight against the progressive federal power grab of local control of our schools across this country.

On November 3, 2013, I received a 130 word text from a client/teacher informing me of an article in the Independent Record that clarifies the use of data under Common Core.

On Tuesday morning of November 19, 2013, this client/teacher came to my salon for her every 5 week hair appointment. I thanked her for the text and for being so thoughtful. She asked if I understood the article and if it helped with my concerns. I let her know that it isn't just about the standardized test sharing of data from state to state, it's what isn't in the article, but before I could explain my evaluation of the article I could see she was upset that I wasn't conditioned to her mastery teaching and she raised her voice and stressed that she was being attacked as a teacher and said, "I am tired of you people opposing Common Core. You do not know what you are talking about. We have to get data on the students to know who needs help with special programs, like free lunch, etc. Nothing is new and nothing has changed." I responded by saying, "There is a lawsuit against the Department of Education by EPIC or the Electronic Informational Privacy Center. The Department of ED also altered the FERPA or Family Educational Rights Privacy Act definition of term, "Personal Identifiable Info"". By this time, the client/teacher had tuned me out and in her anger she said, "I don't want to talk about this any longer." I said, "Fine." But she piped up with, "We just want career and college ready students for the future...", I interrupted her this time, "Do you know of James Milgram?, he's the only mathematician on the Common Core validation committee that did not sign off on the math standards; Common Core fails to prepare high school students for STEM. How about Sandra Stotsky?, the only person on the Common Core validation committee with a Ph.D. in the language arts that refused to sign off on the ELA standards and get this, the Fordham foundation rated Common Core science with a grade of C?." The client/teacher's reply, "No, I haven't. I want to write down those names. I can't believe this." I said, "Believe that Common core is a copyright that is backed by big government and rich corporations/organizations that want a totalitarian strangle hold, baby. It's not what the children know, it's about how they think. They intend to change the young hearts, minds, attitudes, values and beliefs. The progressive theft of our country is taking charge of the sheeple and education is being diluted." The client /teacher was fit to be tied at this point (good thing I had the shears). She lashed out, "What is wrong with big government? It's you rich, white, conservative mothers that think they know everything and take your few kids out of the system to home school or to private school and that is going to put me out of a

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trained to know what is best for you as a parent and for your kids or 25 kids!" Wow! I'm shocked she still has hair. I could see just what the progressive universities breed. Now, I don't believe every teacher has drank the Kool-Aid. I proceeded with a comment, "The cat's out of the bag and look who's been drinkin' with Arne Duncan. Client/teacher, you have the right to teach my children the basics. You do not have the right or education to mentally evaluate or push the religion of globalism, global warming, bully and feelings ed., Native American spiritualism, soft Islam, alternative lifestyles and positions, black history, Planned Parenthood's (you have the right as a teen to tell your momma absolutely nothing) sex ed." The client/teacher's only response, "I teach Islam...what is wrong with Islam?" My reply, "You have to be kidding. That's scary. Have a look at your haircut, hope you like it. I suggest you look up BAT it's an acronym for Bad Ass Teachers, about 32,000 members and rising. Have a Happy Thanks Giving and a Merry Christmas".

To the committee, I am sure I must have left out something from that conversation, it couldn't be much. I am most positive that the teacher isn't coming back for more education. No longer a client/friend, she has the right to get a new or similar haircut and style by any stylist, at any salon in this town or in any town in any state, by another creative individual. However, by the teacher's standards and her educational brainwashing, it just isn't beneficial for her to give us that same freedom. There are double standards here. It is important to speak out against Common Core or any issue that is taking away our rights, even if you have to risk losing a client/friend of 19 years in the battle. Freedom is not free. I'm going to lose more clients over this. Anyone need a good hairstylist?